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6 **IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
7 **FOR THE DISTRICT OF ARIZONA**  
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9 United States of America,  
10 Plaintiff,  
11 v.  
12 Donovan John Hale et al.,  
13 Defendant.

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No. 22-MJ-000083-N/A-LAB  
**ORDER**

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15 The Court having been advised that the material witness deposition is scheduled for  
16 February 18, 2022, at 1:00 p.m. in the Grand Jury Room,

17 **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that a Status Conference, as to Defendants Donovan  
18 John Hale and Brian Tackett is scheduled before Magistrate Judge Leslie A. Bowman, on  
19 February 11, 2022, at 9:30 A.M. Defendant will be present by video or by telephone if  
20 video is not available.

21 Attorneys are expected to meet and confer in good faith before the conference and  
22 should be prepared to discuss whether the parties will be filing a stipulation to release  
23 material witnesses and vacate the depositions or to confirm that the currently scheduled  
24 video depositions will be going forward.

25 Both the AUSA and defense counsel shall be present in court with a physical copy  
26 of the release of material witnesses that can be executed by defense counsel in the event  
27 the defendant consents on the record to their release

28 If a release for material witness is executed and the defendant wishes to plead guilty,

1 defense counsel will be advised to contact the assigned Magistrate Judge to schedule a  
2 change of plea hearing for a future date.

3 Dated this 27th day of January, 2022.

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7 Honorable Leslie A. Bowman  
8 United States Magistrate Judge  
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